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On 23 September 1953, an order had been issued in Neuruppin limiting the relations between the Soviets and the German population. According to this order, officers were permitted to visit only a limited number of restaurants until 11 p.m. or midnight. EM were not allowed to leave their quarters individually, but only in groups and during the day.

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Comment. Tendencies at fraternization between the Soviets and the German population have been previously reported from various military posts occupied by the Soviet Air Force. Mention was also made that German families were urged to invite Soviet soldiers and that restrictions for Soviet personnel were considerably eased. However, the refusal of the German population to fraternize with the Soviets, poor discipline and bad behaviour by at least a portion of the Soviet Occupation Forces recently has resulted in these new restrictions being placed on the Soviets.

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